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CHESTNUT GROVE

Bobby Johnson from the University of Richmond conducted the Sunday Morning Worship Service at the Chestnut Grove Baptist Church and was dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Morris.

Saturday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kemper Beasley were Mrs. Annie McFarland and grandson of Hampdon-Sydney, Mr. and Mrs. Lenoard Adcock of Knoxville, Tenn. Sunday supper guests in the same home were Mr. and Mrs. Willie Duncan, Terry and Emily Earl of Columbia; Mrs. Ralph Repass of Appomattox, Mr. and Mrs. Vernard Proffitt and Ethel of Dillwyn. Pamela Morris, of Appomattox, visited Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Joe Harris was hostess to a Tupperware Party Friday night with 21 ladies present.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Harris, Donna and Faye Harris visited Mr. and Mrs. Flood Harris at Burkeville Sunday.

Vacation Bible School will begin at Chestnut Grove Baptist Church Tuesday June 9, thru June 13, each day at 9:00 until 12 noon. Preparation Day will be Saturday, June 6 at 2 p. m. and Commencement Sunday, June 14 at 11 a.m.

Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond G. Barr were Joe Barr of Farmville and Paul Hickman also of Farmville.

The Chestnut Grove Home Demonstration Club met Monday. Plans were made for the Bloodmobile Canteen. The Bloodmobile will be at the Dillwyn Elementary School June 17 from 12 noon until 6 p.m.

Mrs. Annie McFarland and grandson of Hampden Sydney visited in the Edward Senger home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sonny O'Brien of Spout Spring were week end visitors of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Morris.

Mrs. W. T. Cook attended the program planning meeting at Buckingham Friday.

The Reed and Akers famalies and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kidd, all of Christianburg spent the week end at the hunt club here.

Week end visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Williams were Mrs Nona Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Dayton Canterbury and children all of Mt. Hope, W. Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Baldwin and family of Rustburg spent Saturday with Mrs. Ruth Beasley.

Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Morris visited Mrs. Ray Repass of Appomattox Sunday.

Cadets Ernest and Edward Cook of Fork Union are spending this week with Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Morris before returning to their home in Africa.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Senger and Dale visited Mrs. Clayton Lunsford at Nottoway and Mr. and Mrs. Preston Senger at Crewe Sunday.

Saturday visitors in the C. H. Morris home were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Glover and children and Mrs. Agee Glover all of Hixburg. Sunday visitors in the same home were Mr. and Mrs Marvin Glover and family, also of Hixburg. Mr. and Mrs. Don Morris attended the Virginia 500 Grand National Race at Martinsville Sunday.

PAMPLIN

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Caldwell and Mr. and Mrs. Sep Spencer visited Mr. and Mrs. Bob Harris last week.

Honoring Mr. Robert S. Harris on his birthday, Mrs. Harris entertained at dinner at the Terrace Inn, in Bedford. Others present were Miss Ruth Harris, Mr. Leslie Harris, and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Harris.

Mrs. James Baptist of Boydton and Mrs. J. E. Dinwiddie of Richmond were luncheon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Harris last week.

Some of the music students of Mrs. Robert S. Harris presented a recital in the Harris home Saturday evening. Those on the program were: Miss Cindy Roach, Miss Grace Ranson, Miss Cynthia Hix, Miss Connie Murray, Miss Vicki Glover, Miss Susan Hamlin, Miss Lynn Glover, Mr. Wilson Staples, Miss Jewel Williams, Miss Janet Hix, Mrs. Evelyn Taylor, Mr Auldon Roach, Miss Jane Hix, Mr. Michael Goin, Miss Evelyn Crain, and Miss Debbie Webber.

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Pastor Speaks

Why Our Nation Is Divided

Text; verse 21 "They forgat (forgot) God their Saviour, which had done great things in Egypt." Psalms 106:21,24,41

I am thoroughly convinced that the present chasm between the generations has been brought almost entirely by change in the concept of truth. No matter where you look this new concept prevails. Whether you read the newspapers and magazines or review the arts and literature, you are aware that the change is monolithic.

Until 1935 this nation's method of arriving at truth was one of Christian antithesis. If you have thesis you have antithesis, which gives us the exact meaning of our thesis. For example, if a thing is truth the antithesis (the direct opposite) is false. In morality if one thing is right, its opposite is wrong. It is impossible to discuss morality without the absolutes of right and wrong. Until a few years ago you could say to a young person, "Be good," and they would understand; but not anymore, thanks to the new method of arriving at truth.

The German philosopher Hegel introduced a new method of conveying truth. Mr. Hegel suggested we no longer think in terms of cause and effect. What we really have is a thesis, and its opposit is antithesis, and the answer to their relationship is not in the horizontal movement of cause and effect (right and wrong), but the answer is always synthesis. What Hegel produced was the acceptance of the partial truths of a thesis (right) and its antithesis (wrong) into a higher stage of truth. The two opposites, right and wrong, are resolved into an acceptable synthesis by parties involved. Syntheses necessarily destroy absolutes.

Synthesis frees man from all laws, sets his mind free in a mental wilderness without guidelines or absolutes. He determines right and wrong, not permitting past, present, or future to speak. Thus man does that which is right in his own eyes. (Judges 21:25b)

Synthesis is just another effort of humans to remove themselves from God's economy. He is like the (?) that isn't a man, so he grows long hair and pretends to be a woman in long britches.

God destroyed one nation for this sin, and He will destroy ours unless we turn back and acknowledge Him.

Christian antithesis must be maintained if our nations survives. You as a Christian can assure America's perpetuity. Put God back in our churches, schools, homes, and lives!

Rev. Earnie W. Lucas, Pastor
Bible Baptst Church

THE BIBLE SPEAKS

BY LAWRENCE W. ALTHOUSE

DIMENSIONS OF WORSHIP

Background Scripture: ' Corinthians 11; 14

Devotional Reading: John 4:19-26

"How many worshipped yesterday morning, Reverend?" asked my mailman one Monday morning.

"Oh," I replied, "eight or ten."

"Eight or ten!" gasped the mailman. Then: "Aw, you're putting me on!" I shook my head. His incredulous tone returned: "You mean you only had eight or ten people in the church?"

"Oh," I said with mock seriousness, "you didn't ask me how many were in church, you asked me how many worshipped. There is a difference, you know."

What Is Worship?

Of course I was "putting him on." I had known from the beginning what he meant. Yet, in the midst of this levity there was some sober truth: there is a difference between attending church and worshipping. It is the same kind of difference that exists between "leading a horse to water" and getting him "to drink."

The key, of course, is what we mean by worship. For many people worship is simply a religious "program" or a ceremony. It it entertains us – primarily through the sermon or the choir – we judge the experience favorably. Our standard of measure is what we "get out of it" or how it makes us feel.

In saying this, however, we demonstrate clearly that we have not understood what worship is intended to be. Although we do "get something out of" worship, our primary reason for worship is related not so much to what we expect to get as to what we expect to give. We are not at the center of the worship experience; God is.

When You Meet Together . . .

The Apostle Paul tried to get this across to the church at Corinth. Apparently this congregation had come to look upon their worship in self-centered terms. "For in eating (the Lord's Supper), each one goes ahead with his own meal, and one is hungry and another is drunk" (1 Corinthians 11:21). They were concerned with what they could get out of this experience.

So Paul had to remind them of the grounds upon which their worship was founded: "For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you . . ." (11:23). Yet, Jesus had not given them an order or program of worship. He had devised no rituals or liturgies. What we are to do by disciples was an understanding of the dimensions of the worship experience.

First of all, he had shown them the dimension of remembrance. "Do this in remembrance of me" (11:25). Worship was to be a time of remembering, of looking back upon the past. This was not a radically new concept for the worship of the Jews was based largely upon the remembrance of the mighty acts which God had performed in the past. From this remembrance should spring gratitude, thanksgiving, humility, and even repentance.

"This Cup Is . . ."

Secondly, there is the dimension of the present: "This is my body which is for you. Do this . . ." Worship was not only a remembrance of what God had done in the past, but also a recognition of what he is doing right now in our midst. When we worship we acknowledge his presence in our midst and affirm that we can reach out and draw strength and help from that presence.

Finally, there is the dimension of the future: "For . . . you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes" (11:26). We commit ourselves to the future with him, confident of what he will do with us in the days that lie ahead. Once again, however, he, not we, is at the center of this dimension of worship.

It is these three dimensions that make the difference between going to church and worshipping.

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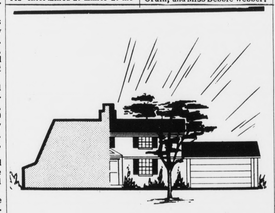

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DEATHS

CURTIS WHITTED

Curtis Whitted, 33, formerly of Appomattox County, died in Vietnam Wednesday, June 3, it was the husband of Virginia Shelton Whitted of Bedford Drive.

Besides his wife, he is survived by a son, Byron Curtis Whitted of Lynchburg; two stepsons, Dale Valley and Richardo Valley of Lynchburg; his mother, Mrs. Louise Harvey of Appomattox County; a stepfather, Jack Harvey of Appomattox County and his grandmother, Mrs. Morris Whitted of Appomattox County.

B. Hutcherson Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

ALBERT CARTER

Albert Carter died recently in Huntington, West Va., after a long illness. A native of Bramwell, West Va., a resident of Appomattox for more than five years. He was a veteran of World War II.

A soldier gone to get his reward. For many of men is not to die."

Graveside services were conducted May 24, 1970.

Mental Health Aide To Study for Ministry

William A. Kolb has resigned as executive director of The Community Mental Health Services Board of Central Virginia to study for the Episcopal ministry.

Kolb, who was named to the mental health post in November 1968, submitted his resignation to Joseph E. Peckham, chairman of the Mental Health Services Board on Monday. He said it will become effective on or before Aug. 31 and that a definite date will be submitted as soon as possible.

Kolb pointed out in a letter to Peckham that when he was first hired he indicated that for several years he had hopes of entering the ordained ministry, "but have not been sure that I could or that I wanted to take that step."

He said, "In the past year many obstacles have been overcome and in the past six weeks I have been accepted as a Postulant by my Bishop (the Rt. Rev. William H. Marmion), and accepted by Virginia Theological Seminary in Alexandria for the incoming Fall class. For this reason I must leave."

Kolb, of 612 Midvale St., is a New York City native. He is a graduate of the University of Florida and entered the insurance business in 1961 as an agent for the Prudential Insurance Co. of America.

He was appointed agency staff assistant for First Colony Life Insurance Co.'s home office in Lynchburg in May, 1966 and served in this capacity until his appointment to the mental health board.

Peckham said that Kolb has been engaged in an 18-month study relative to the inauguration of a Mental Health Program on a regional basis to serve the Central Virginia Mental Health Services member government bodies. These include the cities of Lynchburg and Bedford, and the counties of Campbell, Appomattox, Bedford and Amherst.

The board chairman said that the study results are being presented to the governing bodies with the hope "that funds will be appropriated for a program of services in Mental Health to be provided the citizens of these areas.

"Our board of directors and staff regret very much having to accept Mr. Kolb's resignation," Peckham said.

HOLLYWOOD

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Garlick and daughter, Valrie of Milwaukee, Wis., and Mr. and Mrs. Billy Inge, of Lynchburg, visited Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Schampel Friday.

Miss Della Inge is a patient in Virginia Baptist Hospital. We wish for her a very speedy recovery.

Mrs. Herman Robertson and Kenneth, of Lovingston, were supper guests Sunday night of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Webb and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wingfield of Vinton, spent Friday night and Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wingfield and family.

We are very sorry to hear of the illness of Mrs. James Woodall of Farmville and her daughter, Mrs. Logan Hubbard, of Lynchburg. We wish for both a very speedy recovery.

We are glad to know Wesley Franklin is able to be back in school after having chicken pox.

Visitors in the home of Mrs. C. R. Banton last week were Mrs. Emma Lemon, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Austin and Tom, Mrs. Idelle Scruggs and Douglas, Mrs. M. L. Covington, Mrs. W. T. Covington and Mrs. Charlie Bagby.

William Harvey, Robbie and Tom Robinson spent the week end with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Harvey. Mr. and Mrs. George Totty, of Wilson, N.C., visited in this home Friday.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Watson and family during the week end were Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Webb, Mr. and Mrs. David Austin and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Harvey. We are so glad Mrs. Watson is home from the hospital and improving.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Walton and family of Madison Heights, and Mr. and Mrs. James Maxwell and family spent Sunday at Peaks of Otter and Lake Side in Roanoke.

Mrs. W. T. Covington spent Sunday night with Mrs. Charlie Bagby. Mr. H. W. Jenkins called in this home Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Baldwin, of Richmond, were Sunday guests of their sister, Mrs. M. L. Covington.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wingfield and family and Mr. Bill Watson were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ruhus Wingfield and family, of Roanoke.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Harvey spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Robinson and family, of Madison Heights.

We are very sorry to hear of the illness of Mrs. Clem Woodall, of Lynchburg. We do hope she may soon be well. Mrs. M. L. Covington visited the Woodalls in their home on Rt. 2 and Mrs. Charlie Bagby Saturday afternoon.

Dinner guests Saturday of Mrs. Charlie Bagby were Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Woodall and Mr. and Mrs. Clem Woodall, Ronnie and Susan.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Woodall and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Woodall visited Mr. and Mrs. Clem Woodall and family Saturday afternoon.

New Officers Of Jr. Club

Newly installed officers of the Appomattox Jr. Woman's Club are Mrs. Sam Ferguson, president; Mrs. Ben Harvey, first vice president; Mrs. Robert Carter, second vice president; Mrs. Floyd Williams, recording secretary; Mrs. Frances Avery, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Carl Deavers, treasurer; Mrs. Eugene Tutwiler, historian; Mrs. David Jones, advisor.

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